

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A computer generates a print ID based on input image data on which a forgery preventing process is performed, and transfers the print ID to a printer.

- 5 The printer generates a common key corresponding to the print ID, and transfers it to the computer. The computer encrypts the image data using a common key, represents it as a print control command, and transfers the data with the print ID to the printer. The printer
- 10 analyzes the command of the print control data, extracts the encrypted print image data, decrypts the data using the common key, and stores the decrypted print image data in a storage medium, thereby preventing the data from being printed on a number of
- 15 unspecified printers.

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